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1512

Year **1512** (**MDXII**) was a leap year starting on Thursday (link will display the full calendar) of the Julian calendar.

Millennium:	2nd millennium
Centuries:	15th century · **16th century** · 17th century
Decades:	1490s · 1500s · **1510s** · 1520s · 1530s
Years:	1509 · 1510 · 1511 · **1512** · 1513 · 1514 · 1515

1512 in various calendars

Gregorian calendar	1512 *MDXII*
Ab urbe condita	2265
Armenian calendar	961 ԹՎ ՋԿԱ
Assyrian calendar	6262
Balinese saka calendar	1433–1434
Bengali calendar	919
Berber calendar	2462
English Regnal year	3 Hen. 8 – 4 Hen. 8
Buddhist calendar	2056
Burmese calendar	874
Byzantine calendar	7020–7021
Chinese calendar	辛未年 (Metal Goat) 4208 or 4148 — *to* — 壬申年 (Water Monkey) 4209 or 4149
Coptic calendar	1228–1229

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January–June

- Middle of January – After Regent of Sweden Svante Nilsson dies on January 2, Eric Trolle is elected new Regent of Sweden. He is, however, ousted after only six months.
- February 18 – War of the League of Cambrai: The French carry out the Sack of Brescia.
- April 11 – War of the League of Cambrai – Battle of Ravenna: French forces under Gaston of Foix, Duke of Nemours defeat the Spanish under Raymond of Cardona, but Gaston is killed in the pursuit.
- May 3 – The Fifth Council of the Lateran begins.
- May 12 – Thomas Howard, 2nd Duke of Norfolk, leads an English expedition into France and burns the port city of Brest.[1]
- May 26 – Selim I succeeds Bayezid II, as Sultan of the Ottoman Empire.

July–December

- July 23 – Sten Sture the Younger is elected new Regent of Sweden, thus deposing Eric Trolle from the post.
- August 10 – War of the League of Cambrai – Battle of Saint-Mathieu: The English navy defeats the French-

Breton fleet. Both navies use ships firing cannon through ports, and each loses its principal ship — *Regent* and *Marie-la-Cordelière* — through a large explosion aboard the latter.
- Summer – War of the League of Cambrai: Ferdinand II of Aragon sends Don Fadrique de Toledo, to complete the Spanish conquest of Iberian Navarre.
- October 19 – Martin Luther becomes a doctor of theology (*Doctor in Biblia*).
- October 21 – Martin Luther joins the theological faculty of the University of Wittenberg.
- November 1 – The ceiling of the Sistine Chapel, painted by Michelangelo Buonarroti, is exhibited to the public for the first time.
- December 27 – The Spanish Crown issues the Laws of Burgos, governing the conduct of settlers with regard to native Indians in the New World.

Date unknown

- António de Abreu discovers Timor Island, and reaches the Banda Islands, Ambon Island and Seram.
- Francisco Serrão reaches the Moluccas.
- Francisco Serrao and other shipwreck sailors with permission from the Ternate Sultanate build Fort Tolukko. It is one of the earliest, if not the first European style fortress in southeast Asia.
- Juan Ponce de León discovers the Turks and Caicos Islands.
- Pedro Mascarenhas discovers Diego Garcia, and reaches Mauritius in the Mascarene Islands.
- Moldavia becomes a vassal of the Ottoman Empire, on the same conditions as Wallachia: the voivode will be designated by the Turks, but will be Eastern Orthodox Christians. Also, the Turks are not allowed to build mosques, to be buried, to own land or to settle in the country.
- The Florentine Republic is dismantled, and the Medici Family comes back into power.
- The word *masque* is first used to denote a poetic drama.
- Wolverhampton Grammar School is founded by Sir Stephen Jenyns, in England.
- Paracelsus moves to Ferrara.
- *Possible date* – Nicolaus Copernicus begins to write *Commentariolus*, an abstract of what will eventually become his heliocentric astronomy *De revolutionibus orbium coelestium*; he sends it to other scientists interested in the matter by 1514.[2][3][4]

Discordian calendar	2678
Ethiopian calendar	1504–1505
Hebrew calendar	5272–5273
Hindu calendars	
- *Vikram Samvat*	1568–1569
- *Shaka Samvat*	1433–1434
- *Kali Yuga*	4612–4613
Holocene calendar	11512
Igbo calendar	512–513
Iranian calendar	890–891
Islamic calendar	917–918
Japanese calendar	Eishō 9 (永正９年)
Javanese calendar	1429–1430
Julian calendar	1512 *MDXII*
Korean calendar	3845
Minguo calendar	400 before ROC 民前400年
Nanakshahi calendar	44
Thai solar calendar	2054–2055
Tibetan calendar	阴金羊年 (female Iron-Goat) 1638 or 1257 or 485 *— to —* 阳水猴年 (male Water-Monkey) 1639 or 1258 or 486

Births

April 11: Battle of Ravenna

- January 13 – Gaspar de Quiroga y Vela, General Inquisitor of Spain (d. 1594)
- January 17 – Sibylle of Cleves, electress consort of Saxony (d. 1554)
- January 31 – Henry, King of Portugal and Cardinal (d. 1580)
- February 3 – John Hamilton, archbishop of St Andrews (d. 1571)
- February 22 – Pedro Agustín, Spanish Catholic bishop (d. 1572)
- March 5 – Gerardus Mercator, Flemish cartographer (d. 1594)
- April 10 – James V of Scotland, King of Scots (d. 1542)[5]
- April 23 – Henry FitzAlan, 19th Earl of Arundel, Chancellor of the University of Oxford (d. 1580)
- April 30 – George II, Duke of Münsterberg-Oels, Count of Glatz (d. 1553)
- July 5 – Cristoforo Madruzzo, Italian Catholic cardinal (d. 1578)
- July 25 – Diego de Covarubias y Leyva, Spanish jurist, Roman Catholic prelate, Archbishop of Cuenca (d. 1577)
- August ? – Catherine Parr, English queen consort (d. 1548)
- August 27 – Friedrich Staphylus, German theologian (d. 1564)
- November 4 – Hu Zongxian, Chinese general (d. 1565)
- November 9 – Jon Simonssøn, Norwegian humanist (d. 1575)
- November 11 – Marcin Kromer, Prince-Bishop of Warmia (d. 1589)
- December 21 – Boniface IV, Marquess of Montferrat, Italian nobleman (d. 1530)
- *date unknown*
  - Robert Recorde, Welsh physician and mathematician (d. 1558)
  - Gissur Einarsson, first Lutheran bishop in Iceland (d. 1548)

Sibylle of Cleves

Gerardus Mercator

Deaths

- January 2 – Svante Nilsson, regent of Sweden since 1504 (b. 1460)
- January 30 – Reinhard IV, Count of Hanau-Münzenberg (1500–1512) (b. 1473)
- February 2 – Hatuey, Puerto Rican Taíno chief
- February 22 – Amerigo Vespucci, Italian merchant and cartographer, discoverer of the New World (b. 1454)
- March 29 – Lucas Watzenrode, Prince-Bishop of Warmia (b. 1447)
- April 11
  - Gaston de Foix, French military commander (b. 1489)
  - Asakura Sadakage, 9th head of the Asakura clan (b. 1473)
- May 21 – Pandolfo Petrucci, ruler of Siena (b. 1452)
- May 26 – Bayezid II, Ottoman Sultan (b. 1447)

- June 20 – Goto Yujo, Japanese swordsman and artisan (b. 1440)
- August 2 – Alessandro Achillini, Italian philosopher (b. 1463)
- August 15 – Imperia Cognati, Italian courtesan (b. 1486)
- September 15 – John Stewart, 1st Earl of Atholl, Scottish peer (b. 1440)
- September 29 – Johannes Engel, German doctor, astronomer and astrologer (b. 1453)
- October 5 – Sophia Jagiellon, Margravine of Brandenburg-Ansbach, Polish princess (b. 1464)
- October 31 – Anna of Saxony, Electress of Brandenburg (b. 1437)

Amerigo Vespucci

Sultan Bayezid II

Alessandro Achillini

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